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FATAL VEHICLE COLLISION 5400 BLOCK OF SOUTH ALASKA DRIVE

On February 1, 2022, just before 9:30 p.m., an officer from Operations Division South attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a red/grey 2005 Chrysler 300 that failed to stop for a red light at the intersection of S. 12th Ave. and W. Irvington Rd. The officer attempted to stop the vehicle, but the vehicle failed to stop and fled from the officer into a nearby neighborhood. After fleeing from officers, the Chrysler collided with a wall in the 5400 block of S. Alaska Dr. As officers arrived on the scene, the driver and a passenger fled from the vehicle on foot. Officers were able to locate and detain the driver in a nearby alleyway. He has been identified as 19-year-old Jose Luis Chavez. The passenger who fled with the driver was not located.

Additional responding officers checked the vehicle and located an adult male in the vehicle. Tucson Fire personnel responded and began rendering aid to the passenger. Despite these efforts, the passenger was pronounced deceased at the scene. He has been identified as 18-year-old Immanuel Oloya. Next of kin for Mr. Oloya was notified of his passing.

Traffic Unit Detectives were contacted and responded to continue the investigation, in addition to personnel from the Office of Professional Standards, which is standard protocol with fatalities of this nature. Interviews conducted by officers and detectives determined that Mr. Chavez was traveling eastbound on Oregon Dr. at an excessive speed. He failed to stop for a stop sign at the intersection of S. Oregon Dr. and S. Alaska Dr. and lost control of the vehicle, resulting in the Chrysler striking a block wall.

An officer with the Impaired Driving Enforcement Unit responded to the scene and evaluated Mr. Chavez for any impairment. It was determined that Mr. Chavez was not impaired at the time of the collision. Excessive speed and failure to stop for a stop sign by Mr. Chavez were the major contributing factors of the collision. It should be noted that none of the occupants were wearing seat belts at the time of the collision. Mr. Chavez was booked into Pima County Jail for Leaving the Scene of a Fatality Collision. Attached is Mr. Chavez booking photograph.

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Traffic Fatalities Year to Date:

For 2021 – 06	For 2022 – 14
Pedestrian – 3	Pedestrian – 6
Bicycle – 0	Bicycle – 0
Motorcycle – 2	Motorcycle – 2
Vehicle - 1	Vehicle – 6

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